

LaTeX Guide

Here is the basic outline for writing a nicely formatted LaTeX document. If you do not have Windows, you can skip directly to the syntax section.

1. If you have Windows, download and install TexnicCenter. You will also need to install MikTeX, I believe, as TexnicCenter uses MikTeX.
2. Create a new project by going to File::New::Project
3. Paste this in, and start typing in the location indicated:

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\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\setlength{\textheight}{205mm}
\setlength{\topmargin}{0cm}
\setlength{\textwidth}{150mm}
\setlength{\oddsidemargin}{0.46cm}
\setlength{\evensidemargin}{0.46cm}
\setlength{\parskip}{1em}
\usepackage{amssymb}
\usepackage{amsthm}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage{color}
\usepackage[scaled]{helvet}
\renewcommand\familydefault{\sfdefault}
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
\usepackage[pdfTeX]{graphicx}
\renewcommand{\baselinestretch}{1.2}
%This is the command that spaces the manuscript for easy reading
\begin{document}
\begin{center}
\Large Your Title Here
\end{center}
Start typing your LaTeX here.
\end{document}
```

Syntax

Note: The following commands must be wrapped in a \$\$ tag.

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$x^{\{number\}}$	x^{number}
$x_{\{number\}}$	x_{number}
$x \times 10^{\{8\}}$	$x \times 10^8$
$\frac{\text{numerator}}{\text{denominator}}$	$\frac{numerator}{denominator}$
$\sqrt{\{number\}}$	\sqrt{number}
$\sum\{\text{something}\}$	$\sum something$
$\triangle x$	$\triangle x$
ℓ	ℓ
α	α
β	β
λ	λ
θ	θ
ω	ω

Formatting Syntax

Note: The following DO NOT need to be wrapped in a \$\$ tag.

\\\	Creates new line
Press enter twice	Creates two lines; starts paragraph
\bigskip	Skips down more than normal
\:	Space
\indent	Inserts Indent
\noindent	Removes Indent